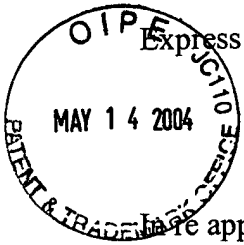


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TRANSMITTAL FOR PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment for entry in the above-identified application.

— Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

— To secure the approval of the Examiner for proposed amendments to the drawings, enclosed are the following:

- ____ Letter to the Official Draftsperson;
- ____ Set of _____ () sheets of drawings containing Figures _____ including the proposed amendments therein; and
- ____ A duplicate set of the _____ () sheets of drawings with the changes therein highlighted in red.
- ____ To render the transmitted Amendment “_____” and Response timely filed enclosed are the following:
- ____ Petition for a _____-Month Extension of Time; and
- ____ Check No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the fee for the extension of time.
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- X No other additional fee is required.

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- ____ Check No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed to cover the additional claim fee.
- ____ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-3178 in the amount of _____.
- X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOR BENEFIT CLAIM

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Please amend the above-identified application as indicated on page 2 of this paper.